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Tercero's contract and TSC District budget finalized

By **Francisco Garza**
THE COLLEGIAN

The contract between Texas Southmost College and its newly appointed president, Lily Tercero, has been finalized, college officials say.

Tercero will earn a base salary of “no less than \$175,000,” according to the contract, a copy of which was obtained by *The Collegian* on Friday. She will receive a monthly automobile allowance of \$500 and will be reimbursed up to \$1,000 for moving expenses.

The new president signed the contract last Tuesday and TSC board of trustees Chairman Francisco “Kiko” Rendon signed it last Thursday, said Chet Lewis, TSC interim vice president for Finance and Administration.

Tercero was scheduled to start work last Saturday; her office space has not been determined, Lewis said.

In other TSC-related matters, the college's general fund budget for the 2011-12 fiscal year, which the board approved Sept. 1, totals \$61,055,535.

In the new budget, the expense line item for the board of trustees was increased from \$58,500 last year to \$243,500 this year.

Lewis told *The Collegian* that the reason for the increase was the upcoming TSC elections.

“We have elections every other year,” he said. “We have to pay for our share of the workers, the machines

and everything it takes to run an election. Next year you'll see this go down.”

The line item for the TSC District Operations office was also increased by almost a million dollars.

He explained that the item included not only TSC President Tercero's salary but also money for possible salaries for other personnel that the college might hire in the coming year.

TSC will no longer provide money to the Institutional Advancement office now that TSC and UT-Brownsville have started to separate. TSC will need to create its own office and is looking to hire someone for the position of director of communications and institutional advancement, Lewis said.

The line item for contracted services went up by more than \$2.1 million, to \$51,427,090.

“We have a partnership agreement and inside the agreement we have the total amount of tuition and fees that are collected and also the state appropriations that we receive,” Lewis explained. “... All those funds are transferred over to UTB, so when they give me a projection as to what they have anticipated what the revenue is going to be based on enrolment, we adjust our budget accordingly.”

The budget is available for download at <http://www.utb.edu/tsc/operations/Pages/Reporting.aspx>.

Noche de Estrellas talent show set for Friday

By **Leslie Annette Lopez**
THE COLLEGIAN

At least 14 students have signed up to participate in the student talent show Noche de Estrellas, scheduled at 7 p.m. Friday in the SET-B Lecture Hall.

“Noche de Estrellas is the coming together of Scorpion talent,” said Frank Orozco, a senior communication major who will serve as the event's master of ceremonies.

The popular talent show event has been held each year since 2003.

“This is the first year this department is doing much of Noche de Estrellas,” said Student Life Assistant Director Eloy Alvarez. “In the past, it's been a part of the international students' area, but this year the Student Life is taking it on as one of its events.”

Alvarez said students who signed up to participate will perform an array of talents. Participants are not asked to meet any requirements in order to display their abilities, just the willingness to perform in front of an audience.

“There will be various amounts of talents, anything from dancing, comedies, we even have people do skits, interpretive dances and singing,” Orozco said.

Some of the performers who will showcase their talent are Nestor Treviño, Brenda Lopez, Jose Villarreal, Judith Zuniga and Claudia Arteaga.

The top three winners will receive cash prizes of \$300, \$150 and \$50, respectively, Alvarez said.

Orozco said this year's show will be one of the biggest yet.

“In the beginning, we will start by doing a number from the ‘Rocky Horror Show’; towards the middle of the event, a tribute for Selena will go on and the closing performance will be a thrilling, chilling, fulfilling experience for all that attend,” he said.

Admission is free for students with a valid ID, \$3 for non-students. For more information, call Student Life at 882-5131.

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By **Samantha Ruiz**
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A 19-year-old UTB/TSC student has been arraigned on a misdemeanor charge of possession of marijuana and a third-degree felony charge of tampering or fabricating with evidence.

Daniel Rene Garza was arraigned Sept. 10 before Cameron County Magistrate Patricia Edelstein, who set a \$750 personal recognizance

bond on the misdemeanor and a \$5,000 bond on the felony charge. Garza was released Sept. 10 after posting bond, according to Jason Moody, public information officer for the Cameron County District Attorney's Office.

According to the probable cause affidavit and Campus Police report, an officer found .20 ounces of marijuana on a table inside an apartment in the Casa Bella student

housing complex. The officer was accompanying a Casa Bella resident assistant on a curfew check on Sept. 10.

One of the students in the apartment allegedly picked up the bag of marijuana and attempted to dispose of it through an open balcony doorway, according to the report.

The officer recovered the bag of marijuana and arrested the suspect.

Student arraigned on pot charge

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Want your event to be featured? Submit event information one week in advance, before 5 p.m. Tuesday to collegian@utb.edu. First come first serve, but student organization events are given preference. --Compiled by Michelle Serrano	Stop the Stigma It's Mental Illness Awareness Week and in Texas, there is a prevalence of people with mental health disorders struggling without seeking help. Texas ranks 49th in the United States for its mental health care programs, indicating challenges for the future.	Volunteer Fair Want to do more for your community? The Office of Student Life hosts a "Volunteer and Internship Fair" from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Student Union veranda and lawn. Nonprofit organizations and agencies will be on site to recruit.	Remember that? Is sleeping on your books not facilitating the osmosis of knowledge as hoped? The Student Success Center hosts "My Mind Went Blank: Strategies for Memory Concentration" from noon to 1 p.m. in Tandy Hall 113. Learn methods for stronger concentration and memorization skills.	Time Travel Tour The Pharr Events Center hosts pop rock bands Never Shout Never, A Rocket to the Moon, Fake Problems and Carter Hulsey from 6 to 11 p.m. at 3000 N. Cage Blvd. in Pharr. Tickets are \$20 at Ticketmaster outlets or ticketmaster.com.	Grupo Duelo Concert Roma natives Grupo Duelo perform <i>Norteño</i> music hits from 7 p.m. to midnight on Levee St. between 11th and 12th streets. General admission tickets are \$30 and kids under 15 get in for free. For more information, contact rocknbeatsproduc-tions@gmail.com.	World Space Week The Department of Physics and Astronomy hosts "50 Years of Human Space Flight" from 3 to 8 p.m. at the ITECC and Nompuewenu Observatory. There will be activities for all ages. For more information, call Luisa Zambrano-Marin at 882-6659.	Agrasánchez Horror Film Archives Love old-school Mexican wrestler vs. vampire movies? The Brownsville Heritage Complex hosts the Mexican Horror Cinema Poster exhibit on loan by the Agrasánchez Film Archives from 1-5 p.m. For more information, call Rhiannon Cizon at 541-5560.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITE DegreeDirectory.org offers scholarships to students pursuing an associate's, bachelor's, master's or online degree. Awards range from \$500 to \$1,000. For information on other scholarship opportunities, visit utb.edu/em/fa/pages/latestscholarshipopportunities.aspx.

PIANO LESSONS
The UTB/TSC Music Academy will offer piano classes for adults from 6 to 7 p.m. beginning Tuesday and continuing until Dec. 6 in Eidman Hall 217. No experience is required. The set of classes costs \$150. For more information, call the Music Academy at 882-7702.

PHOTO COMPETITION "Life Through the Lens," an annual juried photo exhibit presented by the **UTB/TSC Student Union**, will be conducted in **El Gran Salon** Oct. 10. Entry forms may be picked up in Student Union 1.20. An electronic copy of the entry form may be requested from patricia.m.longoria@utb.edu or may be downloaded at www.utb.edu/studentlife. The deadline for submissions is today.

REGISTER VOTERS
Cameron County Elections Administrator Roger Ortiz will deputize those who wish to be deputy voter registrars from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Student Union's Salon Gardenia. For more information, call the **Center for Civic Engagement** at 882-7659.

WELTY EXHIBIT
Cliff Welty's "Famous Artists" exhibition of large-scale oil paintings opens at 5 p.m. Wednesday at **Galeria**

409, located at 409 E. 13th St. in Brownsville. A gala reception will be held. Admission is free. The opening will be followed at 7:30 with a performance by the **Frontera Jazz Quartet**.

JEWELRY SALE
Professional Women Speak will conduct its annual **Treasure Chest Jewelry Sale** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday in the **Endowment Courtyard**. Only cash will be accepted. Proceeds will go to the PWS Student Scholarship Fund. For more information, call event chair **Juanita Urbano** at 882-8224.

GUITAR CONCERT
Swedish guitarist **Johannes Möller**, winner of the 2010 first prize in the Guitar Foundation of America International Competition, will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday in the **Arts Center**. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and children under 12, and \$5 for students with a valid ID. For more information, call the Patron of the Arts office at 882-7025.

FACULTY SYMPOSIUM
Sociology Professor **Luis Rodriguez-Abad** will present a lecture titled **"Global Crisis at the End of Modernity"** at 12:05 p.m. Thursday in Cavalry Hall. The lecture is part of the **College of Liberal Arts Faculty Symposium** series. Admission is free.

LEADERSHIP RING
The deadline to apply for the **Scorpion Leadership Ring** award is Friday. Students are selected based on academic achievement, community service and campus leadership. For more information and nomination

forms, go to ring.utb.edu or call the **Dean of Students Office** at 882-5141.

WOMEN FOR WOMEN
Student Health Services will conduct a **female retreat** titled **"Women 4 Women"** from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the Student Union's Gran Salon. Activities will focus on topics of self-empowerment, sexual responsibility and stress management. Breakfast and lunch will be served. There will be giveaways from community vendors. The first 100 people in attendance will receive a \$10 gift card and the first 50 attendees will receive a free T-shirt. Sign up at utb.edu/sa/dos/Pages/FemaleEmpowermentRetreat.aspx.

SCIENCE CONFERENCE
The 24th annual **Rio Grande Valley Science Association Conference** will be conducted from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday at PSJA North High School, 500 E. Nolana Loop in Pharr. Friday will feature a presentation by University of Texas at Austin petroleum and geosystems **Professor Jon Olson**. Admission is free. Saturday will offer hands-on workshops and science activities presented by local and state scientists and professors. Attendees may receive education credits for their attendance. For more information on registration or scheduled events, call **Karen McNallen** at 571-5428.

DJ COMPETITION
UTB Sting Radio and the **Student Radio Club** will host **College Radio Day** from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Student Union. Event sponsor **Big**

Brother Skate Shop will present BMX bike performances, dance crews, live graffiti art and more. DJs are invited to participate in a competition. The winner will have his or her song played across North America by more than 240 college radio stations. For more information or to register, email stingradio@utb.edu.

LA MISSION
The film **"La Mission"** will be screened at 7 p.m. Oct. 11 in the SET-B Lecture Hall in honor of **National Coming Out Day**. The film follows the story of a powerful and respected Hispanic who discovers his son is gay.

ESSAY CONTEST
The **Office of the Provost** invites first-year students to participate in an essay contest reflecting off the book **"Translation Nation"** with the query: "Numerous Mexican immigrants and descendants live in the United States in pursuit of what they perceive as a better life. Why do many of them cheer for the Mexican soccer team when it plays the U.S. team?" Essays must be submitted to the University College Dean's office in Rusteberg Hall 103 by Oct. 12. The winners will be announced in November.

BUS ROUTE HEARING
Valley Metro will conduct a **public hearing** at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 12 in the Gorgas Hall boardroom on its proposal for a public bus route that will connect Harlingen, San Benito, Los Fresnos and Brownsville, including a stop at UTB/TSC, beginning Jan. 2, 2012. For more information, call **Tom Logan** or **Rodney Gomez** at 969-5761.

--Compiled by Michelle Serrano

POLICE REPORTS

The following are among the incidents reported to Campus Police between Sept. 12 and 16.

Monday, Sept. 12
12:25 p.m.: A staff member from the International Technology, Education and Commerce Center reported finding a UTB/TSC payroll check while cleaning out her desk. She did not recognize the name on the check. Police used the contact number to try to locate the owner, but no match was found.
Tuesday, Sept. 13
8:02 a.m.: The driver of a Mercury Grand Marquis accidentally struck a pedestrian in Lot B. The student suffered a laceration on his left arm and complained of pain in his left leg and back. The student declined transportation to the hospital but emergency medical services personnel checked his vital signs. The driver, also a student, was cited for failure to yield the right of way to a pedestrian and for driving without a license. Her vehicle was impounded.
7:09 p.m.: A Ford F150 pickup truck and a Mercedes Benz C320 collided in Lot AB. Neither party claimed any injuries. The Mercedes sustained \$600 worth of damage; the Ford had no damage.

Wednesday, Sept. 14
8 a.m.: A student reported that someone forced open a window of his Mitsubishi Eclipse and stole his parking permit while the car was parked on campus. Campus Police issued the student a visitor's permit until the window is fixed.
3:33 p.m.: An officer was dispatched to the Barnes & Noble Bookstore where someone posted an "inappropriate" drawing in the patio area. The drawing was removed.
8:54 p.m.: A student suffered a cut lip and hurt her head when she collided with another student while playing flag football on the Recreation, Education and Kinesiology Center soccer field.
9:39 p.m.: A Casa Bella resident assistant reported finding several bottles of wine in an apartment in the student housing complex. A Campus Police officer told a resident of the apartment that if the wine was not disposed of, he would have to issue a citation for minor in possession of alcohol. The student said the wine was not hers but she disposed of it.
Friday, Sept. 16
9 a.m.: The President's Office reported receiving a strange fax that claimed the

president, a former president of UT-Pan American and Gov. Rick Perry would go on trial on Sept. 25. Campus Police conducted an Internet search of the sender's name and found a TV news report in which the sender had allegedly sent a fax to Perry advising the governor that he was fired and actress Eva Longoria would replace him. Campus Police did not deem the fax a threat.
1:47 p.m.: A student reported that the bumper of her Volkswagen Passat fell while she was backing out of a space in Lot V.
2:55 p.m.: A staff member reported that someone broke the lock on the basement door of the Neutra House, 525 Paredes Line Rd., in order to gain access.

--Compiled by Samantha Ruiz

CORRECTION

In the Sept. 26 issue of *The Collegian*, it was reported that College of Liberal Arts Senator Carlos Gutierrez received complaints about Scorpion Metro Bus Route 15. In fact, Gutierrez only received complaints about Route 14.

CONCERNING THE PERMIT

SGA survey: Students want semester and yearly options

By Stephanie Mendez
THE COLLEGIAN

The SGA parking permit survey results show students' opposition to the new mandatory yearly permit and their desire to have the option of buying it per semester.

Student Government Association President Arturo Guerra announced the results of the survey to the senate during last Tuesday's meeting. More than 3,631 students participated in the survey, which was conducted via Blackboard Sept. 13-26.

The first question asked: Do you agree with the manner in which student parking permit fees are collected? Sixty-seven percent answered "no"; 18 percent, "yes"; and 15 percent, "not sure."

The second question asked: Which of the following options best reflects your preference on how parking permits should be sold? Seventy-eight percent want the option to buy a semester or yearlong permit, 13 percent want to go back to the semester permit, 6 percent like the yearlong permit and 4 percent want either one.

Guerra said the results have been delivered to Provost Alan Artibise.

Artibise gave the results to the university's parking committee, Guerra told *The Collegian* on Wednesday afternoon.

The SGA "already did its part," and now the administration "has to do theirs," the senate president said.

The senate conducted the survey after many students complained about having to pay \$60 for the yearly parking

permit, even if they are only enrolled for a semester. Before Fall 2011, students paid \$20 for a semesterlong permit.

After telling the SGA on Sept. 20 about the students' complaints he heard regarding Scorpion Metro Route 14, College of Liberal Arts Senator Carlos Gutierrez conducted an informal survey of his own to get students' feedback.

Gutierrez said he interviewed 19 students who rode the Route 14 bus on Sept. 19 and 20. He asked:

--Has Route 14 been late? Two students answered "very often"; seven, "sometimes"; and 12, "never."

--Have you ever been late to class due to the tardiness of the bus? Two students answered "very often"; four, "sometimes"; and 13, "never."

--Is the Route 14 bus in good shape? One student answered "bad"; five, "normal"; and 13, "excellent."

--How would you grade the service of the Route 14 bus? Two students answered "bad"; five, "good"; and 12, "excellent."

Gutierrez told *The Collegian* that he spoke to Brownsville Urban System Supervisor Arturo Herrera about the students' complaints.

"[Herrera] told me that he does get complaints of students not being allowed [on] the bus due [to] their [lack of a student] ID, students getting late to the bus and late to classes," the senator said. "He also said that the bus has broken [down] several times ... although he did say that he talked to the bus driver on Friday due to several

complaints, which didn't come from my part. They were just made by other students, and now it seems that the bus is working better."

In other business, the senate approved the appointments of freshman communication major Brenda Bazan as senator at large and junior accounting major Hugo Teran as senator for the School of Business. With Teran's and Bazan's appointments, the seats for the School of Business and at large are filled.

Judicial Affairs Coordinator and SGA adviser David Marquez told *The Collegian* that Senator at Large Michael E. Aldape resigned on Sept. 12 and Graduate Senator Hugo N. Valdez resigned on Sept. 15.

Normalinda Reyna, SGA vice president of administration, announced that student forums will be conducted from 6 to 7:30 p.m. this Wednesday, Oct. 27, Nov. 16 and Dec. 5 on the Student Union lawn.

VOICE YOUR OPIN- IONS

SGA MEETINGS

3:15 P.M.
Every Tuesday
Salon Gardenia



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY HECTOR AGUILAR/COLLEGIAN

35 students fail to receive sticker via standard mail

By Rene Cardona Jr.
COLLEGIAN EDITOR

With parking permits being delivered through standard mail, students should keep their address information on Scorpion Online up to date to avoid any mishaps or delays, officials say.

This semester, 35 students failed to receive their parking permits in the mail because of incorrect addresses, said Gabriel Gonzalez, communication director for Campus Police. A total of 1,800 students paid for their parking permit through Scorpion Online and asked that they be delivered via mail.

Five students have appealed citations they received for not having a permit, stating the sticker never arrived.

In Fall 2010, officials decided to distribute parking permits in this manner to improve efficiency and expedite the process, according to an email sent by Business Affairs last year. Since then, the permits have been sent with a student's financial aid check, Gonzalez said.

In Spring 2011, 1,548 parking permits were sent through the U.S. mail. Of these, 99 were reported as not being received.

However, this year a delay caused the permits to be sent after financial aid checks were mailed out. Weldon, Williams and Lick, an Arkansas-based security printing firm that produces the parking permits, assigned the university a new sales representative. The individual was not familiar with the process, Gonzalez said.

"Every time we order parking permits,

we send out for proofs, and he wasn't able to give us proofs," Gonzalez said. "We did our proofs here with News and Information ... and we sent them over there [so] it could be a little bit faster."

The failure of a motherboard in the university's central server, which caused the erasure of 1,700 student grades and add-drop data, further delayed the mailing of the permits, Gonzalez said via email.

Because of the delay, Campus Police extended the grace period for vehicles without permits to park on campus property. For the first three weeks of class, windshields went without any citations.

Campus Police used student mailing information provided by the Office of Accounting and Finance to mail out the permits.

"The addresses that are used come from the same system that Financial Aid uses," said Yolanda de la Riva, director of the Office of Accounting and Finance. "The whole university uses the same database. ... Even though it was an unfortunate situation that occurred, what happened was that these students don't update [their] records."

Students can update their information on Scorpion Online or stop by the Office of Admissions.

All parking permits should have been received by now, Gonzalez said. Any students who have not yet received their parking permit in the mail should file a police report. At that point, they will get a parking permit.

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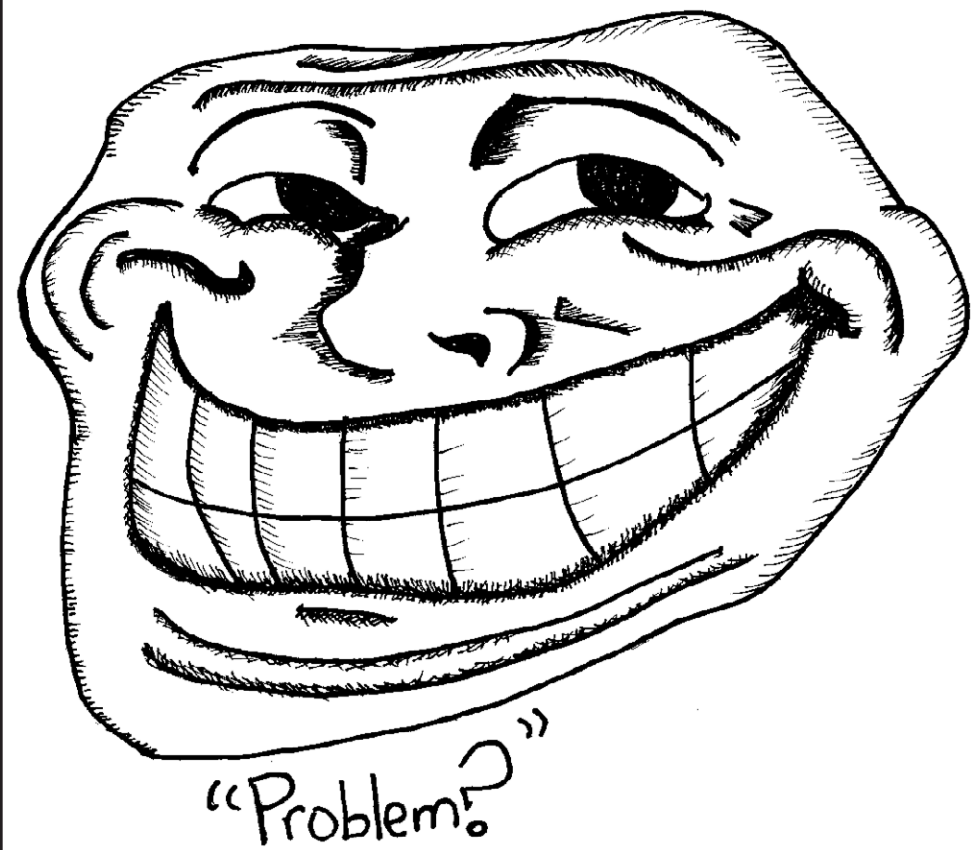
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What's Your Beef?

Read this: no smoking



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Zachary Nerio
Freshman history major

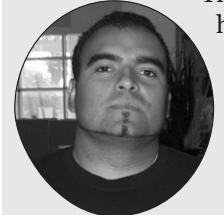
Dozy days



"This is my first time taking morning classes, and I'm usually a heavy sleeper. Sometimes I have a hard time staying awake. ... I'm not usually a morning person."

Robert Ibarra
Freshman computer web development major

Scarce parking



"The biggest issue is parking. It's hard to find a parking spot all day every day. It seems there [are] more students than available parking spots."

Raul Gonzalez
Sophomore business major

-Compiled by Marlane Ashley Rodriguez
-Photos by Christopher Peña
Do you have beef? If so, contact Collegian Reporter Marlane Ashley Rodriguez at 882-5143.

OCCUPY YOUR FUTURE

Pay attention to the protests

By Francisco Garza
and Rene Cardona Jr.
THE COLLEGIAN



We teach our children that taking a candy bar without paying is called stealing. Yet when companies scam and cheat people out of money it is called "good business."



The Occupy Wall Street movement contends with that issue by calling for socio-economic change. It began Sept. 17, aiming to halt the financial chicanery that seemingly runs the federal government. With no sanctions incurred by the men or corporations who are at fault for our ever-worsening economic crisis, about 10,000 people (as reported by The Huffington Post, on-the-ground protesters say 50,000) have rallied in Lower Manhattan. More protests have popped up in such cities as Chicago, Los Angeles, and more are planned Thursday in Houston, Dallas and

Austin. We saw many countries, including Egypt, go through a similar ordeal in what has now been called the Arab Spring. Slowly but surely, more and more people seem to be gathering no matter their race or party affiliation. New York City labor unions announced last Thursday they supported the protests. They will have a rally Wednesday to show their solidarity with Occupy Wall Street protesters. United Airlines' pilots also marched in the financial district, although they did not explicitly state their affiliation with the movement. At first this event did not receive major news coverage from all news outlets, but late last week The Huffington Post began posting stories on its home page after the online community began campaigning for more coverage on such social media sites as Facebook and Tumblr. An autumn of discontent is brewing as Americans rise up and we must not let it come to a cold stop. There should be a constant flow of articles regarding the movement.

However, be careful when reading coverage because one in *The New York Times* looks at the protests as a local issue, not a national one. The *Times* compared the demonstrations to the U.K. riots in mid-August and classifies them as "violent" and "anti-capitalistic." But unlike *The Guardian*, the *Times* did not point out the unnecessary force used by the NYPD that was shown in a video of two female protesters. Unable to move because of an orange net around them, the women are sprayed with mace by an officer. The two women shriek in pain and one reaches out for help. More police brutality is showcased on occupywallstreet.org, the movement's official website. The demonstrations were given more coverage once celebrities, such as documentary filmmaker Michael Moore joined the protest, but no in-depth article has been written. People at home will get one side of the story if they mindlessly consume the bits and pieces of news given to them by the mouthpieces of officialdom that are MSNBC, NBC, Fox

News, *The New York Times* and The Huffington Post. If one piece of news could ever make a difference in your life, it's this one because the movement aims to improve our lives and free our democracy from the chokehold of transnational capitalism and its misanthropic greed. On Thursday, reports broke regarding Bank of America's announcement of a debit card fee and job cuts to come. It is almost like a slap in the face to America and the protesters. It seems corporations are undeterred in their recklessness. Occupy Wall Street, although not necessarily organized, wants the U.S. government to pay attention to the 99 percent of the population, who have less wealth than the top 1 percent of the population. We, the 99 percent, are not getting returns on our democratic participation. In a time when we are constantly asked to vote and express our voice it seems illogical that a movement such as this is being ignored. If you believe in this or any other cause, know that you will have to fight for recognition and airtime.

Nursing student files grievance against instructors

By Alexandra Gracia
THE COLLEGIAN

Junior nursing major Eliana Cruz was shocked to find out she and 19 of her classmates failed the Concepts of Clinical Decision Making class last spring.

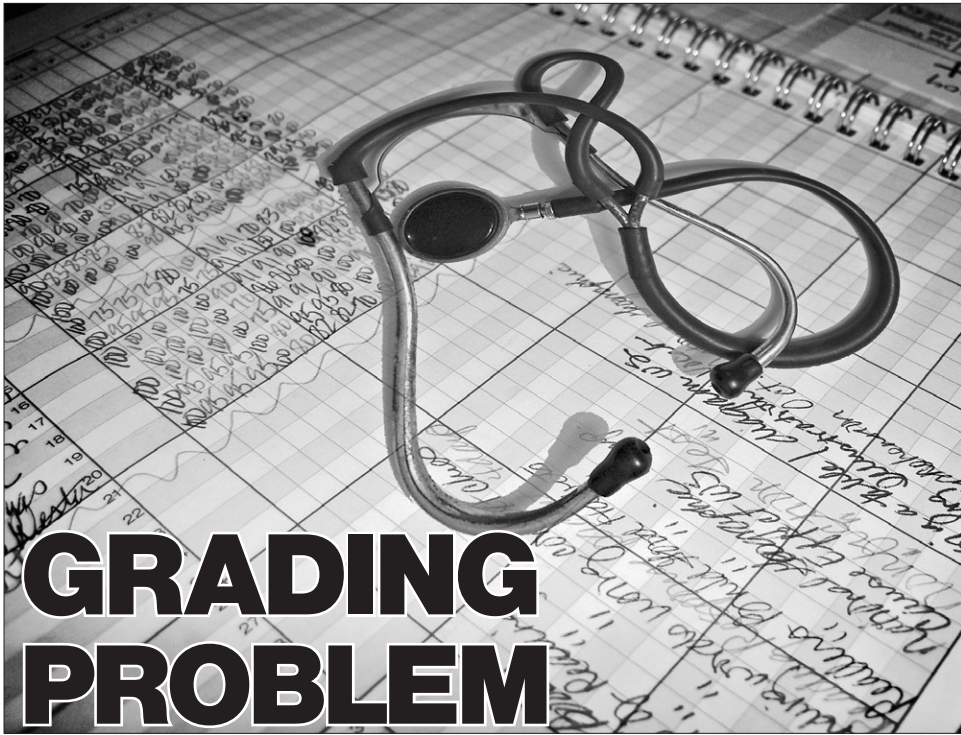
Cruz's grade on the final exam was four points lower than what was posted on Blackboard.

It all began when a student realized the answer key was on the back of the final exam.

"A lot of us were halfway done with our test when one of the students realized that the answer key was at the back of the final," Cruz said. "When [the professors] discovered this, they didn't say 'stop everything.' They didn't know what to do. They didn't know if they were going to retest us. They told us well maybe we'll take whatever you answered and figure out your grade from there, which we all thought was unfair."

"A lot of people complained that this final was difficult, not difficult in the sense that 'oh, we didn't study enough.' A lot of the information on there wasn't what we had covered in class; it wasn't what we had been told to study."

Assistant Master Technical Instructor Elida Peña and Instructor Maria Celia De la Garza, created a revised final exam



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because 15 of the original questions were from the Advanced Medical Research course ADN students take this coming spring, Cruz said. Those 15 questions were eliminated and those points were added to the students' grades.

Claudia Guerra, a junior nursing major, said taking the revised final and a planned test the same day was unfair because it gave all the students "unwanted stress."

"For the final exam, we had [the final] scheduled one day and the next day we had a break and on the next day we had another test, Guerra said. "The answer key was in the back of the [final], so they had to void the whole exam and retest us

on the same day we had the other test, so it was a huge amount of pressure for all of us and that was extremely unfair because it wasn't our fault that they don't know how to make copies."

After taking the revised final, Cruz and other students looked at their individual grades. About 20 students passed the course. Guerra and Cruz did not.

"My Exam 4 grade was a 92; when they [returned the exam], it was an 88," Cruz said. "So I wasn't sure why my grade had gone down, because on Blackboard, all my grades were the same, except for that last test."

Cruz filed a grievance with the Dean

of Students Office and it was sent to the College of Nursing.

Another problem Guerra and Cruz noted is that Peña and De la Garza had two grading policies: Peña's policy was if a student argued the validity of a question and she determined that student's answer could be correct, then the student received the point. De la Garza's policy was if a student argued the validity of a question, the students who had also chosen the other possible answer would receive the point.

"I was one of the students that was very confused on how they were giving points," said Robert Boreaux, president of the Associate Degree Nursing program. "I had a personal conversation with another student, Ms. Peña and Ms. De la Garza. Ms. De la Garza's policy was that students who went to the office after the test to see how they did and if they challenged a question, opened the book to prove their point, she has the authority to give credit who answered A or B. She would go through every Scantron and anyone who answered A or B would get credit. Mrs. Peña's policy was that if the students came in to challenge it in her office and they were able to show it in the book, she would give credit to those students, nobody else. There are two different policies and that's what we brought up. The response by both of [the professors] was 'no there's not, it's the same policy' and I reminded [Peña] I represent the class, I'm an elected official, I'm the president of this class, there are certain responsibilities that I have with my fellow classmates and one of them is sometimes approach faculty, staff and

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Students to debate Arizona immigration law Thursday

By Alexandra Gracia
THE COLLEGIAN

The Criminal Justice and Government departments will battle at 1 p.m. Thursday in the SET-B Lecture Hall, debating the topic of the enforcement of state immigration laws.

Criminal justice majors Celia Merino, Christopher Peña, Veronica Rock and Robert Escobedo and government majors Lisa Leal, Arturo Aguilar, Juan Pacheco and Enrique De Leon will debate Arizona's immigration law, Senate Bill 1070.

SB 1070 allows officials and agencies of the state and political subdivisions to determine an individual's legal status if they are pulled

over or arrested.

Paul Pope, an assistant government professor, said the controversial elements of SB 1070 have been overturned in federal court and is an ongoing debate and may make it to the Supreme Court within the next few months.

"I cannot speak [about] the specifics as to the impact [because] this issue is still in progress," Pope said. "I can say it seems clear that the majority of Hispanic citizens of Arizona are unhappy with this law and the political agenda of the Arizona leadership under the leadership of the Republican Party. The real impact will be obvious in the 2012 election as well as long term. The fastest

growing racial/ethnic group in the U.S. right now are Hispanics."

The criminal justice students will argue in favor of the enforcement of state immigration laws and the government majors will argue against it.

Student Judicial Affairs Coordinator David Mariscal will moderate the debate.

"Each side will have a lead panelist that will introduce their side of the argument," Mariscal said. "One will be pro state immigration law enforcement and one will be against that, so each presents their side with their lead panelist and it will be followed by each member of the panel presenting the part of the debate once they're done. The other side

takes the podium and again the lead panelist introduces their argument and what their points are and each of the four panelists will talk about their point.

"Once that's done, the pro and con panelists will take questions from the audience and each side will be given an opportunity to respond to a question from the audience. The judges will judge the debate, how each side presented their side and how the debate panelists respond to the questions from the audience."

Mariscal hopes students attend because it is an opportunity for active discussion on current issues such Senate Bill 1070.

"[It is] important for

students at a university to have open discussions on current issues so that they can develop their own thinking regarding those issues and learn not only about the current issues, but how they could apply their learning to solve critical issues such as this," he said.

Last year, 90 students attended the debate on another immigration topic, Mariscal said.

The students participating in this immigration debate are reviewing and researching the relevant arguments, laws, and policies pertaining to both immigration and illegal immigration.

Mario Davila, an assistant criminal justice professor, hopes his students learn to

conduct proper research before they defend any argument.

Pope hopes students and the audience learn that the issue of undocumented immigration is complicated.

"The United States has lacked true comprehensive immigration reform and current politics has become so divisive that it is very unlikely we will see comprehensive reform anytime soon," he said. "Hopefully, everyone watching and participating in this debate can walk away with a clearer idea of the problem and are able to see both sides more clearly."

Asked how likely it would be for Texas to pass a similar law, Pope replied

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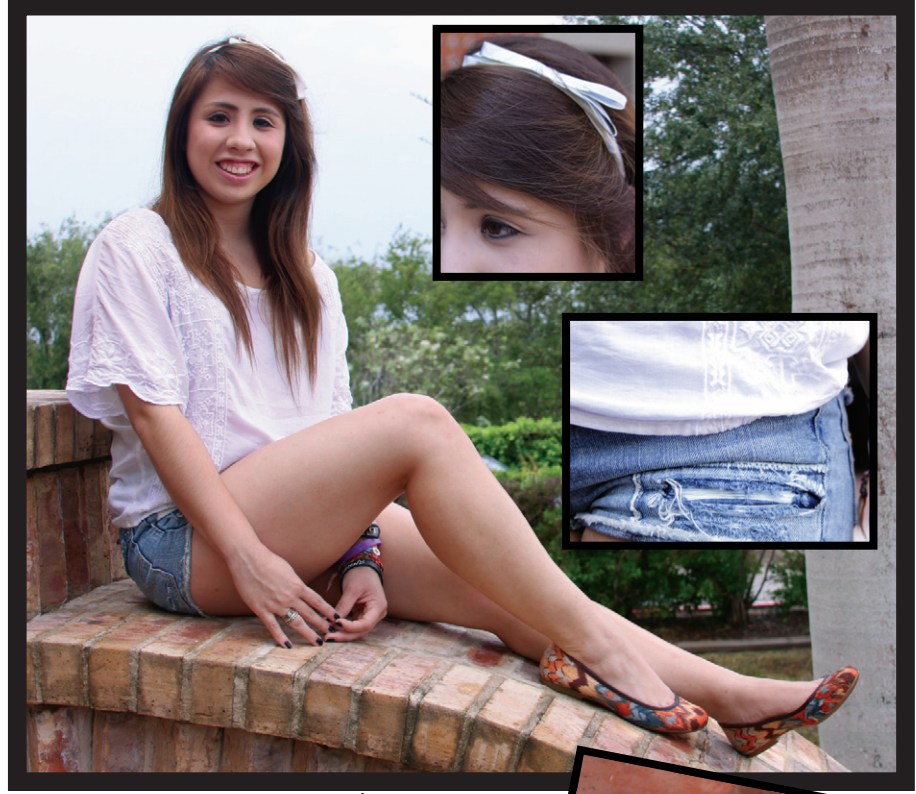
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--Compiled by Marlane Ashley Rodriguez

Spiritual movement

Students explain why God is first in their lives

By Stephanie Mendez
THE COLLEGIAN

Some UTB/TSC students have joined I am Second, a Christian movement that promotes putting God first. "I am Second is a movement of people that want to put God as first in their lives and want to do it with the support of other people that have that same desire," said senior early childhood education major Mary Lewis, who leads an I am Second group of seven women. Lewis' group meets at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore on campus at 2 p.m. every Friday. During the meetings, the group watches testimony films from the I am Second website and discusses what they find most interesting. Lewis explained that I am Second is "a place where you can connect to people and talk about life issues and find encouragement." She said the non-denominational groups are open to everyone and "if you go to Iamsecond.com, you can see a map of the United States and find groups in your region." The movement was started by Norm Miller, chairman of Dallas-based Interstate Batteries. The website's short videos feature famous actors, musicians, athletes and other people talking about what God has done in their lives and why they consider Him first. "It's more about the friendships that you build, and then, yes, you talk about God and you just see God in different perspectives and we also try to get people to have a closer relationship with God," said Jaime Rodriguez, a junior computer information systems major who leads an I am Second group for artists at 11 a.m. every Saturday in the Brownsville Community Fellowship Church.

Rodriguez said people gather to spread the word of God, read Bible verses, go on missions, pray and build relationships with people and God. "People just come together and they just share their struggles and just to know that somebody is there and it just feels so much better," he said. Rodriguez's group has five members. He said these groups should be kept small because "people are basically sharing their lives and you don't just want to share your life with everybody." Rodriguez found out about the movement when his church joined with the e3 Partners ministry for a mission to Peru to show people how to run an I am Second group. Freshman psychology major Denise De La Garza said she is not a member of an I am Second group, but follows the movement's lifestyle. "Through my spiritual journey I want to learn to put God first before anything," De La Garza said. "Before myself, God comes first." Asked what she has learned about I am Second, De La Garza replied: "It makes me realize [God] is there for a reason and no matter what, He is always going to be there regardless, even when you think things are going wrong and you question yourself and you ask yourself why God is doing this to me. God's plans have [their] miracles and what we go through is for a reason and just to be able to understand His ways and why He does the things He does for us." For information on joining an I am Second group, call the Brownsville Community Fellowship Church at 544-4248, or email Rodriguez at jaime.rodriguez1@utb.edu or Lewis at mary.lewis35@utb.edu. To start your own group, visit iamsecond.com.

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that although many states have passed similar or more aggressive state immigration legislation, Texas has not enacted such an immigration law. "[Texas] still remains in the realm of possibility of being passed in a future legislative session," he said. "Texas Gov. Rick Perry's preference for state immigration policy has been somewhat controversial and inconsistent with many of his Republican gubernatorial colleagues, such as allowing in-state college tuition for the children of illegal immigrants. Overall, Texas, primarily the Texas Republicans, are clearly interested in taking aggressive steps in an attempt to reduce undocumented immigration."

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have them explain something so that I can go back and really explain so they could really understand that gray area. They denied there was a difference." The grade change made the difference between passing or failing for Cruz. "If they had given those points, they were either going to need to stick with it or not," Cruz said. "Because it made that big of a difference, so it went from about 20 students to 50 in our class passing. It made the difference of almost 30 students passing after they had been told they had failed." "For two weeks they put us under that stress of not knowing whether we had passed or failed. I spent a whole day in the nursing office for them to say "you

know what, we're not done, we need to recalculate this and that." Students were in and out waiting. It was a very stressful situation to be in." Karen Fuss-Sommer, assistant dean of Undergraduate Programs/Vocational Nursing Program director, encourages students to file grievances if they feel the need to. "There's an informal and formal process, informal goes to the faculty and if it gets resolved, that's where it stands," Fuss-Sommer said. "But if they feel it doesn't get resolved, students can avail themselves to the formal process. It starts with Student Affairs and then Student Affairs makes the inquiry to the department and an investigation happens. There's either a ruling that there was nothing outside of whatever they're grieving." The Collegian called and emailed Peña and De la Garza several times during the

last three weeks regarding the grievance, but they never responded. This reporter also tried to visit them during their office hours. In a visit to her office last Thursday morning, De la Garza said she was busy. The Collegian also sent an email to Fuss-Sommer asking how the matter was resolved. Fuss-Sommer replied: "A fair and just resolution was arrived at."

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Autor describe inspiración para libro de ficción

Por Viridiana Zúñiga
EDITORA DE ESPAÑOL

El pasado miércoles, el abogado y periodista Ernesto Velarde-Danache presentó su primer libro titulado “La conjura con o sin la CIA” en la librería Barnes & Noble de UTB/TSC.

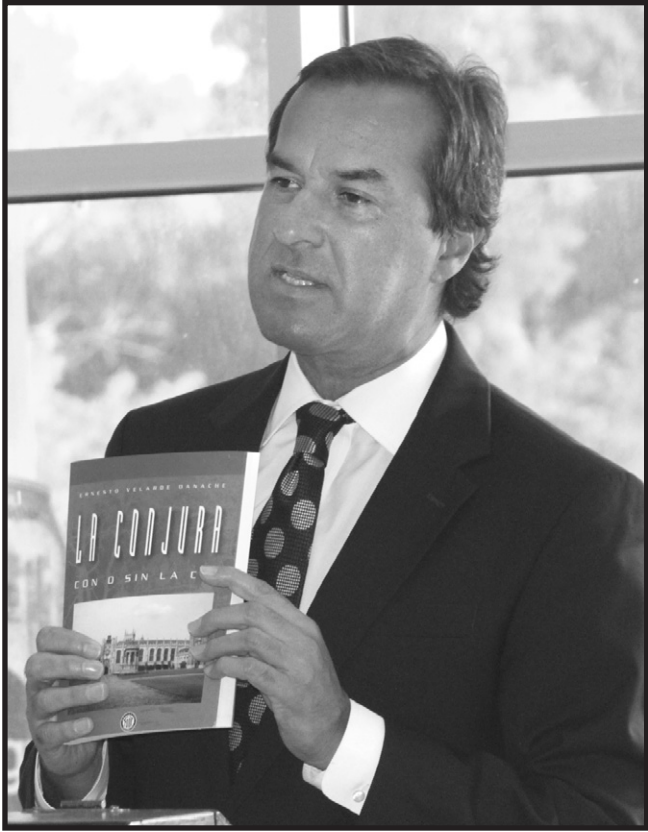
En medio de estudiantes, profesores, administradores de la universidad y visitantes, el evento dio comienzo a las seis de la tarde.

Ramiro Rodríguez, profesor adjunto del Departamento de Lenguas Modernas, fungió como presentador del evento haciendo hincapié en las cualidades de la novela y dando una breve introducción sobre la trayectoria del autor.

Después de dicha participación, Velarde-Danache se situó tras el estrado para hablar, a grandes rasgos, de su reciente obra y de los motivos que la llevaron a escribirla.

“Los humanos tenemos la necesidad de trascender”, dijo el autor. “Y las manifestaciones artísticas son una de las maneras más comunes en que lo hacemos”.

Velarde dijo que su principal inspiración fue el deseo de ser parte del



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Ernesto Velarde-Danache presentando su libro “La Conjura con o sin la CIA” en la noche del miércoles en la librería Barnes & Noble.

mundo literario del que él tanto ha conocido y que fue en la “soledad de las mañanas” cuando decidió que la escritura era su vocación.

La novela “La conjura con o sin la CIA”, según explicó el escritor, es una obra de ciencia ficción desarrollada en diversos países de Europa y América donde un

joven italiano, Franco Canizzio, es infiltrado en una fraternidad formada por hijos de importantes personajes del ámbito económico y político mundial para informar a la CIA sobre sus actividades.

“Los personajes de la obra son muy parecidos a ciertas figuras públicas actuales”, dijo Velarde-

Danache. “Pero no quiere decir que el libro haga alusión a alguno de ellos”.

Idalia Morales, estudiante de educación en español, quien asistió al evento, cuestionó al autor sobre la similitud que había entre él y el protagonista de la novela.

“Lo que yo hice fue vivir el libro a través de los zapatos de Franco”, respondió Velarde-Danache. “Pero él y yo no somos el mismo, o mejor, júzguenlo ustedes”.

Roberto Kane, ex corresponsal del periódico *The Pointe*, preguntó sobre la respuesta del público con el libro. El autor dijo, “Ha sido mejor de la que esperábamos”.

Velarde-Danache explicó que los escritores mexicanos suelen publicar obras sobre historia, cultura o política, pero que el género de ciencia ficción no era muy abordado aún, a lo que atribuye la gran aceptación que ha tenido su libro.

Para finalizar, el autor agradeció a la concurrencia y ofreció una firma de autógrafos.

La novela se vende actualmente en Barnes & Noble a un costo de 16 dólares.

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Mario Camacho, un estudiante de primer año en tecnología de carrocería en automóviles, rocía pintura sobre un 1931 Ford Model A el cual están restaurando en el taller de carrocería de autos en ITEC Center el pasado miércoles.

Men's team tames Mustangs

Players to host Soccer Camp Appreciation and Breast Cancer Awareness days in home stand

By Alejandro Rivera
SPORTS EDITOR

The UTB/TSC Men's Soccer Team returns home after turning its season around with a five-game winning streak to end September, holding opponents scoreless in the last four games.

The Scorpions, now 5-3-1 overall, will open against Texas College at 7 p.m. Thursday at Scorpion Soccer Field. This will be Scorpion Camp Appreciation Day in honor of last summer's soccer camp attendees. Children wearing their camp shirts will be allowed to enter the game free of charge. The team takes the field at 3 p.m. Saturday to face Bacone College. They will don pink jerseys during warm-ups in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Day.

The Scorpions, whose 3-0 Red River Athletic Conference record puts



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UTB/TSC Scorpion midfielder Ernie Hernandez heads the ball, attempting to score against the Wiley College Wildcats Sept. 24 on the Scorpion Soccer Field. The Scorpions defeated the Wildcats 8-0.

them at the top, began October hoping to continue their excellent play, meeting Texas Wesleyan University last Saturday in Fort Worth. Results were not available at press time. The Rams were 2-0 in conference but had not yet played their third conference game.

Last Thursday in Hobbs, N.M., they defeated the

University of the Southwest 2-0. Captain Steve Howard scored the first goal before halftime on a free kick, marking his fourth game in a row with a goal. The men secured the victory in the second half on a score by junior forward Mario Perez with the assist from fellow junior forward Leigh Veidman.

In their most lopsided

victory of the season to this point, the Scorpions defeated the Wiley College Wildcats 8-0 on Sept. 24. Veidman led the charge with three goals in the first half. Midfielders Howard, Orrin Farrell, Ernie Hernandez and Jose Galvan and forward Jorge Cantu each scored a goal. Howard also contributed two assists.

Scorpions lasso Mustangs 8-0

By Alejandro Rivera
SPORTS EDITOR

Hoping to continue its winning streak, the UTB/TSC's Women's Soccer Team returns home this week to continue conference play.

The Scorpions will face Texas College at 5 p.m. Thursday at Scorpion Soccer Field. The team will be celebrating Soccer Camp Appreciation Night. They follow that game with a matchup against Bacone College at 1 p.m. Saturday. The Scorpions will be wearing pink jerseys in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Last Saturday, the women faced Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth. Results were not available at press

time. Texas Wesleyan came into the game as the conference co-leader with a 2-0 record.

The Scorpions got off to a quick start in conference play last Thursday with an 8-0 defeat of the University of the Southwest in Hobbs, N.M. Seven different Scorpions scored a goal in the game, led by senior forward Linette Cuvillier with two goals, one in each half.

Susana Muñoz put the Scorpions on the board in the first half, followed by Samantha Garcia, Isadora Freitas, Laura Luis and Verena Wonsikowski. Sarah Rosenthal scored the final goal of the game in the second half. The Scorpions improved to 5-2-1 on the season with the win.

Between the Lines

Volleyball



The No. 1-ranked UTB/TSC Volleyball Team continues conference play with two games at home this week as they face the University of the Southwest at 7 p.m.

Friday. The Scorpions will wear pink jerseys in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. They continue conference play with a matchup against Bacone College at 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Scorpions began tournament play Sept. 23 with a win at Marshall's Wiley College. The results of the four-set match were 25-23, 20-25, 25-22 and 25-18. The Scorpions then traveled to Tyler on Sept. 24, making quick work of Texas College by scores of 25-15, 25-4 and 25-18 for a 16-0 overall record and 2-0 in conference.

Sophomore middle blocker Ana Guerra received the Red River Athletic Conference's Player of the Week and Hitter of the Week awards, junior right-side hitter Paula Barros took the RRAC Libero of the Week and senior Amber Brooks the RRAC Setter of the Week honors for

the second straight week.

Women's golf



The UTB/TSC Women's Golf Team came in fifth place out of 10 teams at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor Invitational, held Sept. 26 and 27 in Temple. The Scorpions, who had a team total of 674, were one stroke off fourth-place finisher Schreiner University. Freshman Alaine Muro led the way for the Scorpions with scores of 84 and 78 for a 162 total, good enough for a fifth-place tie on the tournament board. Rounding out the team were senior Krystal Garza with an 85 and an 83 for a 168, sophomore Elizabeth Garza with a 90 and an 80 for a 170, freshman Veronika Vasquez with an 88 and a 89 for a 177 and junior Cat Lira with an 87 and 99 for a 186.

The Scorpions will be out of action until Nov. 7 when they host the UTB/TSC Women's Fall Shootout at the South Padre Island Golf Club in Laguna Vista.

Baseball



The UTB/TSC Baseball Team prepares for the upcoming season, holding intrasquad games at

3 p.m. every Friday and 11 a.m. Saturday at the Scorpion Baseball Field. The team plays the Scorpion World Series, a split squad five-game series, from Nov. 28 to Dec. 3.

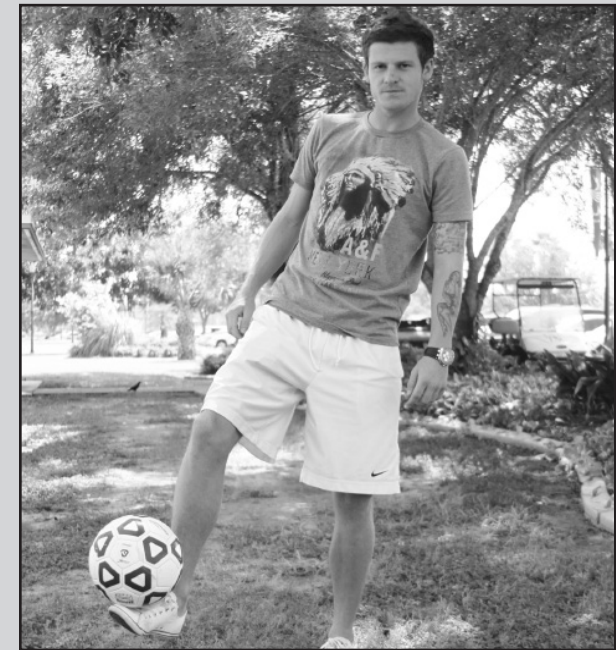
Intramurals Basketball Tournament

The last day to sign up for the Intramurals 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament is Wednesday, with the captains' meeting scheduled at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in room 1.510 of the Recreation, Education and Kinesiology Center. The tournament, which has men's, women's and co-ed divisions, begins play at 2 p.m. Friday.

Intramurals Indoor Soccer League

Wednesday is the deadline to sign up for the Intramurals Indoor Soccer League competition, featuring men's, women's and co-ed divisions. The captains' meeting follows at 5:30 p.m. in room 1.510 of the REK Center. Play is scheduled to begin the week of Oct. 10.

--Compiled by Alejandro Rivera



ALEJANDRO RIVERA/COLLEGIAN

Athlete of the Week

Name: Steve Howard
Hometown: Coventry, England
Classification: Senior
Major: Psychology
Sport: Soccer, midfielder

Steve is the captain of the UTB/TSC Men's Soccer Team. His teammates respect him and follow his lead on the field and Head Coach Dan Balaquero has nothing but good things to say about his player. From our conversation together I, too, understand why people respect and follow him--he speaks in a cool British accent.

Who do you look up to? "Probably my brother. He plays soccer as well, back home in England."

What does soccer mean to you? "It means a lot. I wouldn't say it means the world because there are other important things, but it's definitely a huge part of my life."

What's your favorite thing about soccer? "You make some good friends from it and you can meet people from different countries and get some good mates from it."

Why did you decide to play this sport? "I always used

to try and imitate my brother when he was playing. He was a bit older than me, so it was something I've done since I can remember walking, really. It's something I've enjoyed since a young age."

If you could have a conversation with anyone, dead or alive, who would it be? "Football-wise, I'd say Zinedine Zidane, who is a French [soccer] player."

Any skills you wish you had? "I'd think it'd be [to know] another language, down here especially to speak Spanish would help. I wish I'd be able to speak another language; well, I've tried but I just can't learn."

Do you have any secret talents people might not know about? "No. Not at all, really. Can't sing, can't play an instrument, nothing. Nothing." [He did later reveal he was a DJ but no proof was presented at the time to back up his claim.]

Where do you see life taking you after you graduate? "Hopefully, carry on playing or coach. To carry on playing would be my goal, something involving soccer, maybe coaching. Coaching is something that really interests me."

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Members of the Philosophy Club include (front row, from left) Vice President Mkhitar Hobosyan, Luciana Morales, President Gabriela Cavazos and adviser Angelika Soldan. Back row: Stella Castillo, Macedonio Cariaga, Treasurer Benjamin F. Gutierrez, Craig Price and Norberto Perales.

Name: Philosophy Club at UTB
Purpose: To establish and encourage an appreciation of philosophy at UTB/TSC, as well as promote a forum for active student participation in debates of philosophical nature.
Established: 2007
President: Gabriela Cavazos
Vice President: Mkhitar Hobosyan
Secretary: Charles Rodriguez
Treasurer: Benjamin Gutierrez
Adviser: Associate Professor Angelika Soldan
Activities: Community service and the show “Thinking Out Loud,” which airs from noon to 1 p.m. each Thursday on Sting Radio (www.utbstingradio.com).
Meetings: 12:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Barnes & Noble Café patio.
Requirements: Must be a current UTB/TSC student, faculty or staff member.
Dues: None
For more information: email philosophyclub@live.com

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COURTESY PHOTO

Eric James, a professor in the Department of Health and Human Performance, and Casa Bella resident assistant Valerie Guajardo, a junior exercise science major, demonstrate a defensive move during a women-only self-defense seminar Sept. 21 in the Casa Bella Clubhouse.

